CITY OF COLFAX, IOWA

Independent Auditors' Reports Basic Financial Statements and Supplemental Information and Findings

June 30, 2009

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City of Colfax, Iowa Officials

Name	Title	Term Expires
David Mast	Mayor	January, 2012
Curtis Small	Council Member	January, 2012
Bob Brown	Council Member	January, 2010
Bryan Poulter	Council Member	January, 2012
Steve Theis	Council Member	January, 2012
Kathryn Gullion	Council Member	January, 2010
Kathy Mathews	City Clerk	Indefinite
Larry Opfer	Treasurer	Indefinite
Ken Walker	City Attorney	Indefinite

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council City of Colfax

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Colfax, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Colfax as of June 30, 2009, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also included our reports on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. The purpose of those reports is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or compliance. Those reports are an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and the budgetary comparison information are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We applied limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Colfax's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statement for the five years ended June 30, 2008 (none of which are presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Holland and Company P.C.

January 27, 2010

CITY OF COLFAX MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Colfax provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements and the accompanying notes, which follow.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The City's receipts totaled \$2,332,048 for the year ended June 30, 2009, a 3% decrease from 2008.
- Disbursements for the year totaled \$2,310,294 which is an 8% decrease from 2008.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Statement of Activities and Net Assets. This statement provides information about the activities of the city as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.

Notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to full understanding of the date provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.

Basis of Accounting

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keep in mind the limitations resulting form the use of the cash basis of accounting.

REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is "Is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information which helps answer this question.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets are divided into two kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, and debt service. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business Type Activities include the waterworks, sanitary sewer system, and garbage/landfill. These activities are financed primarily by user charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The City has two kinds of funds:

1) Government funds account for most of the City's basic services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The major governmental funds include: 1) the General Fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds such as Road Use Tax, Local Option Sales Tax, Hotel/Motel Tax Fund, and Employee Benefits Fund; 3) the Debt Service Fund. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short term view of the City's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs. Transfers In and Out are used to accumulate resources and allocate those resources internally among the City's various funds.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

2) Proprietary funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains three funds to provide separate information for the water, sewer, and garbage/landfill funds considering these to be major funds.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities increased from a year ago, by \$21,754 during the year ended June 30, 2009.

The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash balances for governmental activities.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Asse	ts	
	Year e	nded June 30,
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Receipts:		
Program receipts:	1,049,994	953,422
Charges for service	278,444	399,870
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	270,444	86,648
Bond proceeds General receipts:		60,046
Property tax	684,230	627,494
Other general receipts	92,481	113,383
Hotel/motel and local option taxes	226,899	229,257
Total receipts	2,332,048	2,410,074
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Disbursements:		
Water	302,196	357,464
Sewer	371,854	409,423
Landfill	132,402	139,501
Total business type disbursements	806,452	906,388
Public safety disbursements	486,489	408,237
Public works disbursements	335,071	503,078
Culture and recreation	256,398	186,962
Community and economic development	43,916	83,565
General government	180,088	177,694
Debt service	201,880	242,514
Total governmental activities	1,503,842	1,602,050
Total	2,310,294	2,508,438
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	1,612,518	1,710,882
Cash basis net assets end of year	1,634,272	1,612,518

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENT FUND ANALYSIS

The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of certain major funds from the prior year.

- The General Fund has a deficit balance of \$ 292,677. This deficit balance increased \$ 42,054 during the year. The City will continue to cut spending when possible.
- Employee Benefit Fund cash balance has a surplus of \$80,121.
- The Debt Service Fund cash balance has a deficit of \$21,431 after disbursements for the year and an increase in property tax receipts. The City will need to increase the debt service levy in an upcoming budget.
- The Road Use tax fund has a deficit balance of \$ 54,167 which was created because of
 project expenditures which were made ahead of receipts in prior years. The receipt of
 future revenues will be used to offset the deficit.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

- The Water Fund cash balance increased \$ 76,133.
- The Sewer Fund cash balance increased \$5,096.
- The Garbage/Landfill cash balance increased \$ 11,831.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2009, the City had \$2,062,637 in bonds and other long-term debt, compared to \$2,342,957 last year, as shown below.

Outstanding Deb	t at Year-End	
	June 30,	
	2009	2008
General obligation bonds	555,548	725,007
Revenue notes Total	1,507,089 2,062,637	1,617,950 2,342,957

The City's outstanding general obligation debt of \$555,548 is below its constitutional debt limit of 5 % of the taxable value of the properties.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

City of Colfax's elected and appointed officials considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2009 budget, tax rates, and fees that will be charged for various City activities. One of those factors is the economy.

Inflation in the State continues to be somewhat lower than the national Consumer Price Index increase. The State's CPI increase was 3.2 percent for fiscal year 2009 compared with the national rate of 3.4 percent. Inflation has been modest here due in part to the slow residential housing market and modest increases in energy prices in 2008-2009.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2010. Amounts available for appropriation in the operating budget are \$2,269,000, a slight decrease over the final 2009 budget. Budgeted disbursements are expected be \$2,440,000. The City has added no major new programs or initiatives to the 2010 budget.

If these estimates are realized, the City's budgeted cash balance is expected to decrease by the close of 2010.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Kathy L. Mathews, City Clerk, 15 E Howard, Colfax, Iowa.

City of Colfax, Iowa Statement of Activities and Net Assets – Cash Basis As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

					Pn	ogram Receipts		
	Disbursements		•	Charges for Services	Operating Grants, Contributions, and Restricted Interest		Contril	tal Grants, outions and ted Interest
Functions/Programs								
Governmental Activities								
Public safety	\$	486,489	\$	92,643	\$	50,014	\$	-
Public works		335,071		-		226,957		-
Culture and recreation		256,398		27,013		1,473		•
Community and economic development		43,916				-		•
General government		180,088		65,673		-		•
Debt service		201,880		-		-		-
Total governmental activities		1,503,842		185,329		278,444		
Business Type Activities						•		
Water		302,196		344,335		-		•
Sewer		371,854		376,314		-		-
Sanitation		132,402		144,016		-		_
Total business type activities		806,452		864,665		-		-
Total	\$	2,310,294	\$	1,049,994	\$	278,444	\$	

General Receipts

Property tax levied for

General purposes

Tax increment financing

Debt service

Local option sales tax

Hotel/motel tax

Unrestricted interest on investments

Repayment of TIF debt

Miscellaneous

Transfers

Total general receipts and transfers

Change in cash basis net assets

Cash basis net assets beginning of year

Cash basis net assets end of year

Cash basis net assets

Restricted (Deficit)

Streets

Debt service

Other purposes

Unrestricted (deficit)

Total cash basis net assets

There were no reconciling items between the Governmental and Fiduciary Fund Statements of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances and the above Statement. See notes to financial statements.

Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets

overnmental	В	usiness Type	m i
 Activities		Activities	Total
\$ (343,832)	\$	-	\$ (343,832)
(108,114)			(108,114)
(227,912)		-	(227,912)
(43,916)		_	(43,916)
(114,415)			(114,415)
(201,880)		•	(201,880)
 (1,040,069)		_	 (1,040,069)
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		42,139	42,139
-		4,460	4,460
*		11,614	11,614
 •		58,213	58,213
\$ (1,040,069)	\$	58,213	\$ (981,856)
447,248		-	447,248
23,036			23,036
213,946		-	213,946
159,902		-	159,902
66,997		-	66,997
19,999		11,811	31,810
(23,036)		23,036	-
59,767		-	59,767
 904		_	 904
968,763		34,847	1,003,610
(71,306)		93,060	21,754
 76,593		1,535,925	 1,612,518
\$ 5,287	\$	1,628,985	\$ 1,634,272
\$ (54,167)	\$	-	\$ (54,167)
(21,431)		747,913	726,482
373,562		-	373,562
 (292,677)		881,072	588,395
\$ 5,287	\$	1,628,985	\$ 1,634,272

City of Colfax, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Governmental Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

	Special Revenue								
	-	General	Road Use Tax		cal Option SalesTax	Но	tel/Motel Tax		
Receipts	۵	005 550	ф	ዽ		¢			
Property Taxes	\$	295,779	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-		
Tax Increment Financing Collections		0.770	-		159,902		66,997		
Other City Tax		9,678	-		139,902		00,337		
Licenses and Permits		9,198	-		1 251		1,553		
Use of Money and Property		13,905	226.057		1,351		1,333		
Intergovernmental		30,041	226,957		•		•		
Charges for Services		119,656	-		•		-		
Special assessments		46,797	10 854		•		<u>-</u>		
Miscellaneous	,	70,059	10,754		161050		(0.550		
Total Receipts		595,113	237,711		161,253		68,550		
Disbursements									
Operating									
Public Safety		423,743	-		-		-		
Public Works		-	323,662				-		
Culture and Recreation		168,925	•		71,595				
Community and Economic Development		3,001	-		-		40,915		
General Government		151,811	-		-		-		
Debt Service		_			-		-		
Total Disbursements		747,480	323,662		71,595		40,915		
Excess (deficiency) of receipts									
over (under) disbursements	,	(152,367)	(85,951))	89,658		27,635		
Other financing sources (uses)									
Repayment of TIF Debt		_	-		-		-		
Inter-fund loan		-	100,000		(100,000)		-		
Operating transfers in		110,313	-		-		-		
Operating transfers out		_	-		(73,708)		(32,511)		
Total other financing sources (uses)		110,313	100,000		(173,708)		(32,511)		
Net change in cash balances		(42,054)	14,049		(84,050)		(4,876)		
-				`	245,091		71,216		
Cash balance (deficit) - beginning of year	Φ.	(250,623)			161,041	\$	66,340		
Cash balance (deficit) - end of year	<u>\$</u>	(292,677)) \$ (54,167) \$	101,041	Ф	00,540		
Cash basis fund balances (deficit)									
Unreserved	٠			.		ø			
Debt service	\$. \$ -	\$	-	\$	-		
General fund		(292,677)			161011		(() ()		
Special revenue funds		-	(54,167)	161,041		66,340		
Permanent fund		40.5 - 45 -	- -	· ·	171 041	ďν	66.240		
Total cash basis fund balances (deficit)	\$	(292,677) \$ (54,167) \$	161,041	\$	66,340		

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Total Funds Fund	Spec	ial Revenue			Oth	er Nonmajor	
Total						-	
100	Emp	loyee Benefits	Del	ot Service			 Total
	\$	151.469	\$	213,946	\$	-	\$ 661,194
	Ψ	-	•	,-	,	23,036	23,036
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City of Colfax, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Proprietary Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

	Water	Sewer	Sanitation	Total
Operating receipts Charges for service	344,335	376,314	144,016	864,665
Operating disbursements			100 100	< 1 < 450
Business type activities	293,396	190,660	132,402	616,458
Excess of operating receipts				
over operating disbursements	50,939	185,654	11,614	248,207
Non-operating receipts (disbursements)				
Interest on investments	10,958	636	217	11,811
Repayment of TIF debt	23,036	_	_	23,036
Debt service	•	(162,749)	-	(162,749)
Capital projects	(8,800)	(18,445)	-	(27,245)
Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	25,194	(180,558)	217	(155,147)
Net change in cash balances	76,133	5,096	11,831	93,060
Cash balances - beginning of year	1,080,626	348,151	107,148	1,535,925
Cash balances - end of year	\$ 1,156,759	\$ 353,247	\$ 118,979	\$ 1,628,985
Cash basis fund balances				
Reserved for debt service	\$ 746,277	\$ 1,636	\$ -	\$ 747,913
Unreserved	410,482	351,611	118,979	881,072
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 1,156,759	\$ 353,247	\$ 118,979	\$ 1,628,985

See notes to financial statements.

City of Colfax, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Fiduciary Funds As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2009

	Library <u>Memorials</u>	Tenant Memorial	Stage Project
Receipts Donations Investment earnings - interest Total receipts	\$ -	\$ 510 3,094 3,604	\$ 986
Disbursements Operating			986
Cultural and recreation Total Disbursements	-		986
Excess of receipts over disbursements	-	3,604	<u> </u>
Other financing (uses) Operating transfers out	-	(904)	
Net change in cash balances	42 922	2,700 59,183	1,440
Cash balance - beginning of year Cash balance - end of year	\$ 43,833	\$ 61,883	\$ 1,440

See notes to financial statements.

CITY OF COLFAX, IOWA NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2009

1/ Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Colfax is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Jasper County. It was first incorporated in 1866 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a nonpartisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens including public safety, public works, culture, recreation, public improvements, and general administrative services.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing board and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the City. The City has no component units that meet the criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The City also participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the following boards, commissions and 28E agreement: Jasper County Assessor's Conference Board, Selective Enforcement Response Team and Safety Coalition of Central Iowa Cities, City-County Planning Board, and Central Iowa Committee and a 28 E agreement for police, fire and emergency response with the City of Mitchellville.

The City also participates in the Jasper County Animal Rescue League and Humane Society with other municipalities in an organization under Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa and paid fees to the organization \$4,113 during the fiscal year.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's nonfiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

B. Basis of Presentation (continued)

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.

The Local Option Sales Tax is used to account for the City's sales tax receipts and the disbursements financed by such.

The Hotel/Motel Tax Fund is used to account for the City's hotel/motel tax receipts and the disbursements financed by such.

The Employee Benefits Fund is used to account for the tax levy and the disbursement for the benefits.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system.

The Sanitation Fund accounts for the operation of the City's solid waste disposal system.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The City of Colfax maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (continued)

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2009, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the Culture and Recreation function.

2/ Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits at June 30, 2009 were entirely covered by Federal depository insurance, or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

Interest Rate Risk – The City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) in instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days but maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

3/ Notes Payable

The annual debt service requirement to maturity for general obligation notes, and the sewer revenue notes is as follows:

Year										
Ending	General Obliga	ation Notes	Sewer Reve	nue	Notes		Tot	al Annual D	ebt l	Retirement
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	I	nterest	_	P	rincipal		Interest
2010	128,401	20,609	109,335		48,141	_		237,736		68,750
2011	166,704	18,688	112,498		44,265			279,202		62,953
2012	154,672	11,256	116,736		40,256			271,408		51,512
2013	62,554	4,426	121,052		36,080			183,606		40,506
2014	21,217	1,995	111,468		31,732			132,685		33,727
2015	11,000	1,023	105,000		28,080			116,000		29,103
2016	11,000	512	108,000		24,930			119,000		25,442
2017	,		112,000		21,690			112,000		21,690
2018			115,000		18,330			115,000		18,330
2019			118,000		14,880			118,000		14,880
2020			122,000		11,340			122,000		11,340
2021			126,000		7,680			126,000		7,680
2022			130,000		3,900			130,000		3,900
Totals	\$ 555,548	\$ 58,509	\$ 1,507,089	\$	331,304	-	\$	2,062,637	\$	389,813

The City has pledged future sewer receipts, net of specified operating disbursements, to repay \$2,160,000 in sewer revenue note and bonds issued in May 2001 and March 2003, respectively. Proceeds were used to provide financing for the construction of improvements to the sewer plant. The obligations are payable solely from sewer customer net receipts and are payable through 2022. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the obligations is \$1,838,393. For the current year, principal and interest paid was \$162,749 and total customer net receipts were \$185,654.

The resolutions providing for the issuance of the note and bonds include the following provisions:

- a. The notes or bonds will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the sewer activity and the holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the sewer fund.
- b. Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to a separate revenue bond sinking account for the purpose of making the next principal and interest payments.
- c. The City shall establish, impose, adjust and provide for the sewer rates to produce gross revenues at least sufficient to leave a balance, after specified operating disbursements, equal to 110% of the principal and interest due in any fiscal year.

During the year, the City had not established sufficient amount for the sinking fund as required by the above resolution.

4/ Tax Increment Financing

In 1988, 1991, and 1999, the City established three urban renewal districts and made agreements with the county and school, in accordance with Chapter 403.19 of the Code of Iowa, to divide the increase in taxes, as a result of the incremental property tax valuation in those districts.

The taxes so collected are paid into a Special Revenue Fund and are to be expended for project costs or debt service associated with the projects affecting the districts. In prior years, the taxes received were not

sufficient to pay the debt service. Consequently, the Water fund advanced \$77,269 toward debt service. In accordance with the Iowa Code, these advances may now be repaid from the tax increment revenues since the 1999 general obligation refunding note has been retired. During the year, \$23,036 was repaid on this intrafund debt. At June 30, 2009, the balance due is \$3,553.

In July 2001, the City and Jasper County entered into a 28E agreement to develop the Colfax I-80 Interchange Urban Renewal Project area. The City extended its water and sanitary sewer service to the area. By June 30, 2009, the County had loaned the City \$1,197,501 for the extension costs and \$80,175 to reimburse engineering costs. The County shall collect and retain all tax increment revenues collected from the taxable properties located in the area. If upon maturity of the loan, the revenue collected is not sufficient to fully reimburse the County for all the principal and interest paid by the County, on its loan for this specific purpose, the City will be obligated to repay the unpaid balance plus interest at the rate then being paid by the County on its loan. Since the repayment is contingent on future taxes paid in the Urban Renewal Project area, the amounts of the payments are not readily determinable.

5/ Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Most regular plan members are required to contribute 4.10% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 6.35% of covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The City's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$33,038, \$32,880, and \$30,980, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

6/ Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement, or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The liability is computed based on the rate of pay as of June 30, 2009. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation and sick leave termination payments payable to employees at June 30, 2009, primarily relating to the General Fund, was \$46,000.

7/ Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care

The City has entered into an agreement with several other municipalities, as allowed under Code of Iowa Section 28E, to provide for economical and environmentally responsible disposal of solid waste and establish permanent environmental responsibility for the Newton Sanitary Landfill. State and federal laws and regulations require the Newton Sanitary Landfill to place a final cover on the site and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. Although closure and postclosure care costs will be paid near or after the date that the landfill no longer accepts waste, the Landfill has estimated the total liability for such to be \$ 4,400,000. This amount is based on 2009 cost estimates. The closure is expected to be in 2015. Actual costs may be higher due to inflation, technology changes, and changes in regulations.

As specified in the 28E agreement, the City is responsible for 4.86% or approximately \$214,000 of the total landfill closure and postclosure costs. The City's proportionate share is updated annually in accordance with the agreement.

8/ Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2009 is as follows:

Transfer From	Transfer To		Amount
Local Option Sales Tax	General	\$	73,708
Hotel/Motel Tax	General		32,511
Tenant Memorial	General		904
Perpetual Care	General		3,190
Total		*****	110,313

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

9/ Related Party Transactions

The City had business transactions between the City and City officials totaling \$2,499 during the year ended June 30, 2009.

10/ Risk Management

The City is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

11/ Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the reported amounts and disclosure of liabilities, contingent liabilities and commitments at the date of the financial statements, and the classification of receipts and disbursements during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from the estimates that were used.

12/ Deficit Fund Balances

At June 30, 2009 the General, Road Use Tax, and Debt Service Funds had deficit balances of \$292,677, \$54,167 and \$21,431, respectively. The deficit in the General Fund will be reduced by transfers from the Proprietary Fund operating accounts to the extent possible. The deficit in the Debt Service Fund will be reduced by increasing property tax levies in subsequent years. The deficit in the Road Use Tax Fund will be reduced by future receipts.

13/ Economic Development Loan

With funds from the Iowa Department of Economic Development, the City loaned \$150,000 to a local manufacturing company which employs 40 people. The loan is forgivable to the extent of \$75,000 and repayment is expected on the \$75,000 balance. Principal payment are to be received over 5 years and there is no interest due. Any repayment is to be used by the City for similar projects.

City of Colfax, Iowa Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Balances Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds Required Supplementary Information Year ended June 30, 2009

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Property Taxes Tax increment financing collections Other city tax Licenses and permits Use of money and property Intergovernmental Charges for Service Special assessments Miscellaneous	\$ 661,194 23,036 236,577 9,198 19,999 256,998 119,656 46,797 81,213	\$	11,811
Disbursements Public safety Public works Health and social services Culture and recreation Community and economic development General government Debt service Business type activities Total Disbursements	1,454,668 486,489 335,071 256,398 43,916 180,088 201,880		876,476 - - - - - 806,452 806,452
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements Other financing (uses) net Excess (deficiency) of receipts over disbursements and other financing uses	 (49,174) (22,132) (71,306))	70,024 23,036 93,060
Balance (deficit) - beginning of year Balance (deficit) - end of year	\$ 76,593 5,287	\$	1,535,925 1,628,985

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

			Final to Ne
Net	Original	Final	Variance

Budgeted Amounts

				Final to Ne				
	Net	Original		Final	V	ariance		
\$	661,194	\$ 640,401	\$	640,401	\$	20,793		
·	23,036	21,871		21,871		1,165		
	236,577	266,940		266,940		(30,363)		
	9,198	16,200		16,200		(7,002)		
	31,810	2,500		2,500		29,310		
	256,998	187,621		389,381		(132,383)		
	984,321	1,287,000		1,287,000		(302,679)		
	46,797	7,000		7,000		39,797		
	81,213	60,000		108,510		(27,297)		
-	2,331,144	2,489,533		2,739,803		(408,659)		
	486,489	411,387		518,341		31,852		
	335,071	287,621		335,966		895		
	-	5,500		5,500		5,500		
	256,398	172,079		187,546		(68,852)		
	43,916	49,971		128,100		84,184		
	180,088	188,469		212,188		32,100		
	201,880	210,568		210,568		8,688		
	806,452	1,146,975		1,146,975		340,523		
_	2,310,294	2,472,570		2,745,184		434,890		
_								
	20,850	16,963		(5,381)		26,231		
_	904	_		(50,000)		50,904		
	<u>.</u>							
	21,754	16,963		(55,381)		77,135		
	·····							
	1,612,518	6,514,352		_		1,612,518		
-	\$ 1,634,272	\$ 6,531,315	\$	(55,381)	\$	1,689,653		

City of Colfax, Iowa
Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting
June 30, 2009

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon ten major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These ten functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, business type activities and non-program. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Funds and Proprietary Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, budget amendments increased budgeted disbursements by \$272,614. The budget amendments are reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2009, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the Culture and Recreation function.

City of Colfax, Iowa Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Cash Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

	Special Revenue	Perm	nanent	
	Urban Renewal	Cer	netery	
	Tax Increment	Perpet	ual Care	Total
Receipts				
Property tax - tax increment financing	\$ 23,03	6 \$	- \$	-
Use of money and property		-	3,190	3,190
Miscellaneous		-	400	400
Total Receipts	23,03	6	3,590	26,626
Excessof receipts over disbursements	23,03	6	3,590	26,626
Other financing uses Repayment of TIF Debt	(23,03	36)	(3,190)	(23,036) (3,190)
Operating transfers out		<u> </u>	(3,170)	(0,12/0)
Total other financing (uses)	(23,03	36)	(3,190)	(26,226)
Net change in cash balances		-	400	400
Cash balance - beginning of year		_	65,660	65,660
Cash balance - end of year	\$	- \$	66,060	66,060
Cash basis fund balances Unreserved	¢	- \$	65,660	\$ 65,660
Permanent fund	\$	- \$		\$ 65,660
Total cash basis fund balances		- p	02,000	00,000

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

City of Colfax, Iowa Schedule of Indebtedness For the year ended June 30, 2009

			Amount		
		T	C	riginally	
	Date of Issue	Interest Rates		Issued	
Obligation					
General Obligation Notes					
Fire Station and Park Project	March 2, 1998	5.00%	\$	400,000	
City Hall Note	April 1, 2002	5.00%		35,000	
South Sewer	April 14, 2003	3.50%		400,000	
Corporate Purpose Note	August 15, 2001	5.00%		150,000	
Municipal Swimming Pool Repairs					
and Improvements to City Park,					
Ball Fields, and Tennis Courts					
Lake Street Sewer	October 1, 2004	4.50%		100,000	
Federal Street Improvements	February 15, 2008	4.50%		75,000	
Water and Sewer Improvements	October 24, 2006	4.65%		110,000	
Corporate Purpose Note					
Sewer Equipment and Streetsweeper	September 15, 2005	4.50%		232,500	
Totals	-				
Revenue Note and Bonds					
Sewer Revenue Bonds	March 15, 2003	3.00%	\$	1,910,000	
Sewer Revenue Note	May 8, 2001	6.25%		250,000	
Totals					

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Balance Beginning of Year		Issued During Year		Redeemed Balance End During Year of Year				Inte	erest Paid	Due	erest and paid
\$	131,744	\$	-	\$	30,569	\$ 101,175	\$	6,682	\$	-	
	14,000		-		3,500	10,500		700		-	
	160,000		-		40,000	120,000		5,682		-	
	51,097		-		18,968	32,129		2,332		-	
	65,166		-		11,672	53,494		2,822		_	
	60,000				15,000	45,000		2,739		-	
	88,000		-		11,000	77,000		4,150		-	
	155,000		-		38,750	116,250		7,313			
\$	725,007	\$	_	\$	169,459	\$ 555,548	\$	32,420	\$		
\$	1,505,000	\$	-	\$	88,000	\$ 1,417,000	\$	45,150	\$	-	
	112,950		-		22,861	 90,089		6,738		_	
\$	1,617,950	\$	-	\$	110,861	\$ 1,507,089	\$	51,888	\$	-	

City of Colfax, Iowa Bond and Note Maturities For the year ended June 30, 2009

	Fire Station and Park		Fire Station and Park City Hall						
•	Issued March 2, 1998		Issued Ap	ril 1, 2002	Issued April 14, 2003				
Year Ending	Interest		Interest		Interest				
June 30,	Rates (%)	Amount	Rates (%)	Amount	Rates (%)	Amount			
2010	5.00	32,097	5.00	3,500	3.50	•			
2011	5.00	33,702	5.00	3,500	3.50	40,000			
2012	5.00	35,376	5.00	3,500	3.50	40,000			
2013		•			3.50	40,000			
2014									
2015									
2016	_		-						
Totals		\$ 101,175		\$ 10,500		\$ 120,000			

	Sewer and Stre	etsweeper	Federal Street	Improvements		
	Issued Septer	mber 15, 2005	ber 15, 2005 Issued February 15, 2008			
Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Total General Obligations		
2010	4.65	38,750	4.50	15,000	128,401	
2011	4,65	38,750	4.50	15,000	166,707	
2012	4.65	38,750	4.50	15,000	154,672	
2013	***************************************	,	,		62,554	
2014					21,214	
2015					11,000	
2016					11,000	
Totals		116,250		\$ 45,000	\$ 555,548	

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

				Water and	d Sewer	
Pool a	nd Park	Lake St	reet Sewer	Improvements		
	ust 15, 2001	Issued Oct	tober 1, 2004	Issued Octob	er 24, 2006	
Interest		Interest		Interest Rates		
Rates (%)	Amount	Rates (%)	Amount	(%)	Amount	
5.00	17,944	4.50	10,110	4.65	11,000	
5.00	14,185	4.50	10,570	4.65	11,000	
5.00	17,102	4.50	11,046	4.65	11,000	
		4.50	11,554	4.65	11,000	
		4.50	10,214	4,65	11,000	
			·	4.65	11,000	
				4.65	11,000	
-	\$ 32,129	- ;	\$ 53,494	;	\$ 77,000	

Sewer Revenue Note

	Issued May 8, 2001 Issued March				
Year Ending June 30,	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Interest Rates (%)	Amount	Total Sewer Notes & Bonds
2010	6.25	18,335	3.00	91,000	109,335
2011	6.25	19,498	3.00	93,000	112,498
2012	6.25	20,736	3.00	96,000	116,736
2013	6.25	22,052	3,00	99,000	121,052
2014	6.25	9,468	3.00	102,000	111,468
2015			3.00	105,000	105,000
2016			3.00	108,000	108,000
2017			3.00	112,000	112,000
2018			3.00	115,000	115,000
2019			3.00	118,000	118,000
2020			3.00	122,000	122,000
2021			3.00	126,000	126,000
2022			3,00	130,000	130,000
Totals		\$ 90,089		\$ 1,417,000	\$ 1,507,089

Sewer Revenue Bonds

City of Colfax, Iowa Schedule of Receipts by Source and Disbursements by Function All Government Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2009

•	 2009	2008	 2007	2006	2005	2004
Receipts						
Property taxes	\$ 661,194	\$ 627,494	\$ 583,887	\$ 529,100	\$ 557,068	\$ 504,922
Tax increment financing collections	23,036	17,140	17,426	16,114	17,510	21,114
Other city tax	236,577	229,257	213,583	338,289	181,448	12,802
Licenses and permits	9,198	12,363	22,075	19,277	15,622	23,828
Use of money and property	19,999	22,702	22,415	14,512	5,579	8,087
Intergovernmental	256,998	418,635	256,279	207,885	196,590	409,494
Charges for service	119,656	144,787	108,484	140,273	197,131	179,847
Special assessments	46,797	-	-	-	-	•
Miscellaneous	81,213	24,970	73,784	93,437	119,495	96,512
Total	\$ 1,454,668	\$ 1,497,348	\$ 1,297,933	\$ 1,358,887	\$ 1,290,443	\$ 1,256,606
Disbursements						
Operating						
Public safety	\$ 486,489	\$ 408,237	\$ 384,234	\$ 376,397	\$ 512,601	\$ 349,459
Public works	335,071	503,078	246,762	326,697	284,064	266,345
Health and social services	256,398	•	•	-	6,182	
Culture and recreation	43,916	186,962	174,050	180,711	167,381	215,444
Community and economic development	180,088	83,565	3,001	3,000	3,001	246,697
General government	201,880	177,694	200,153	272,783	284,583	300,788
Debt service	 	242,514	 188,570	 172,458	 122,653	 181,621
Total	\$ 1,503,842	\$ 1,602,050	\$ 1,196,770	\$ 1,332,046	\$ 1,380,465	\$ 1,560,354

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Colfax, Iowa as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon as dated below. Our report expressed unqualified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City of Colfax's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing and opinion on effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we considered to be a significant deficiency and we considered to be a material weakness.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned function, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the City's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the City's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the City's internal control. We consider the deficiency in internal control described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that result in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the City's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be

significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiency described above, we believe item I-A-09 is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Colfax's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2009 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

The City of Colfax's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusion on the City's responses, we did not audit the City's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a matter of public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Colfax and other parties to whom the City of Colfax may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Holland and Company P.C.

January 27, 2010

CITY OF COLFAX, IOWA SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

I-A-09 Segregation of Duties

One important aspect of internal accounting control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted that generally one person has control over each of the following areas:

- (1) Cash receipts, journalizing and posting.
- (2) Disbursements, check writing, signing, mailing journalizing and posting.
- (3) Payroll preparation and distribution.

Recommendation

We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. The City should continue to review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Response

In February 2009, we involved the mayor, council, deputy city clerk, and department heads to produce more segregation of duties of the above functions. We will continue to review the internal control procedures and continue to segregate duties to the extent possible.

Conclusion

Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting

II-A-09 Certified Budget

Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2009 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the Culture and Recreation function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states in part that public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation. In addition the beginning balance in the second budget amendment budget was reported as \$ 0 rather than the \$1,612,518 actual balance.

Recommendation

The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget and to correct the beginning balances.

Response

The budget will be correctly amended in the future, as applicable.

Conclusion

Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting (continued)

II-B-09 Questionable Disbursements

We noted no disbursements for parties, banquets or other entertainment expenses that do not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.

II-C-09 Travel Expense

We noted no disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees during the year.

II-D-09 Business Transactions

Business transactions between the City and City officials or employees are as follows:

Name, Title and Business Connection	Transaction Description	<u>Amount</u>
Bryan Poulter, Council Member, Swimming Pool Manager	Swimming Pool Manager Wages	\$2,499

In accordance with Chapter 362.5(10) of the Code of Iowa, this transaction does not appear to be a conflict of interest, since the duties of the function are not incompatible with duties as a Council Member.

II-E-09 Bond Coverage

Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.

II-F-09 Council Minutes

No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not.

Although the minutes were published as required, they did not always contain a summary of the disbursements by fund, or a summary of receipts in accordance with Chapter 372.13(6) of the Code of Iowa.

Recommendation

The City should comply with the Code of Iowa and publish a summary of the disbursements by fund, and a summary of the receipts

Response

We will publish the summary of disbursements by fund and a summary of receipts as required.

Conclusion - Response accepted

II-G-09 Deposits and Investments

We noted no instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa.

II-H-09 Revenue Bonds and Notes

As noted in Note 3, the City was not in compliance with the revenue bonds resolution.

Recommendation

The City should set aside, monthly in a sewer sinking fund, 1/6th of the next interest payment and 1/12th of the next principal payment for the sewer bonds.

Response

The monthly amounts will be set aside.

Conclusion

Response accepted.

II-I-09 Financial Condition

The General, Road Use Tax, and Debt Service Funds had deficit balances at June 30, 2009 of \$292,677, \$54,167, and \$21,431, respectively.

Recommendation

The City should investigate alternatives to eliminate these deficits in order to return these funds to a sound financial position.

Response

Note 12 of the financial statements describes the City's plans to eliminate the deficits.

Conclusion

Response accepted.

II-J-09 Time Cards

The supervisors did not approve all time records submitted by employees.

Recommendation

All time records should be approved by the employee's supervisor.

Response

A supervisor will approve the time records of affected employees.

Conclusion

Response accepted.